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REPORT OF SECRETARY OF STATE.

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA,
OFFICE SECRETARY OF STATE,
Raleigh, January 1st, 1879.

To his Excellency Z. B. VANCE,
Governor of North Carolina:

SIR:—I have the honor, in compliance with the Constitution, to submit the following report of the condition and operations of the Department of the State Government under my charge:

GENERAL CONDITION OF THE OFFICE.

In taking charge of the office on the 1st of January, 1877, I found the Records in fair condition, and as well arranged as the limited space permitted. Indeed the room allowed to the Secretary of State will permit only of the land papers being arranged in order, and they are so crowded and insufficiently protected, that the wear and tear will, at no remote period, render them of little value. I would be glad if a Committee of the General Assembly would investigate this matter, which I regard of serious and increasing importance.

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VALUABLE DOCUMENTS.

I find in this office, and in those of the Secretary of the Senate and Clerk of the House of Representatives, stuck about in neglected pigeon holes and drawers, without labels, and without order, the most valuable papers connected with the early history of the State, the loss of which would prove a public calamity. Some of these I have located, and would have collected and had bound and arranged on shelves, but the over-crowded condition of this office has left me no place to deposit them, even if I have the authority to take from the offices of the two Houses of the General Assembly papers which have been filed therein. The matter is of sufficient importance to claim the attention of the General Assembly.

BOUND COPIES OF THE LAWS.

In accordance with chapter ninety-seven, sections fifteen and sixteen of Battle's Revisal, one thousand full-bound, and seventeen hundred half-bound copies of the Acts of the General Assembly, 1876-'77, were printed and distributed. Owing to the large increase in the number of justices of the peace the seventeen hundred half-bound copies supplied but little over half of them with the laws. The demand for the copy which the law required me to supply each magistrate was universal and urgent. The mails were laden with letters of inquiries, complaints, and demands. After consulting with the Governor and Attorney General, I made a contract with the Public Printer to furnish one thousand half-bound copies of the Acts, which were at once distributed to the justices of the peace in the several counties. I find that the extra number printed were barely enough. A few officials are yet unsupplied, and I retained such a small number for sale that these were soon exhausted, and there does not remain on hand a single copy, while many orders cannot be filled. I respectfully

call this matter to your attention, as it will be necessary to print one thousand or twelve hundred more half-bound copies than the law now provides, or repeal so much of the statute as requires me to furnish a copy to each justice of the peace. And if it is desired to print the additional copies, very early action should be taken by the General Assembly, as the Public Printer will print off the first "forms" as soon as legislation has progressed so far as to enable me to furnish him with sufficient copy. Subsequent action on the part of the General Assembly will entail a large additional expense on the State.

PUBLIC AND PRIVATE LAWS.

It is required of the Secretary of State, by chapter ninety-seven, section thirteen of Battle's Revisal, to determine which are public and which are private laws and resolutions, and to separate them in the printed volume. If there be good reason for this division, its utility is not only destroyed, but much harm done by the difficulty which often exists to determine whether a particular act is "public" or "private." A very cursory examination of former volumes will show how much the officials have differed in their judgments in this regard. And frequently the Secretary of State, and his regular Assistant, are so busy with the current demands upon the office at the time this work must necessarily be done, that it is not unfrequently left to the discretion of temporary employees. Recently I had occasion to search for the original copy of "an act authorizing the issuing of six millions of State Bonds in aid of the Western North Carolina Railroad Company." After months of vain research, it was accidentally found bound among the "Private" acts of the session. Many more similar mistakes exist, and in the same volume acts of the same import are found indiscriminately under either and both divisions, making much confusion and trouble in finding

them. I have endeavored to remedy this evil as far as I could, by making a joint and full index. I believe the change will commend itself to every one who has occasion to look for particular acts. I would, therefore, recommend that the division between "public" and "private" acts in the printed volume be abolished.

PROOF READING.

And in this connection I desire to call attention to the correct printing of the Acts of the General Assembly. Owing to the occasionally careless enrolment of acts, the confusion which accumulated business and limited time necessarily entail upon the Public Printer, and too, the indistinct and perhaps incorrect copy sometimes sent from this office, frequently occasion very annoying and serious errors in the printed copy. Under the present system these mistakes can hardly be provided against. The proof should be read in connection with the originals on file in this office, and as long as the Secretary of State is compelled to certify that the printed volume contains true copies of the acts and resolutions on file in his office, and he is thought to be responsible for their correct printing, it would be better if he was made thus responsible. If he was allowed to select, at an insignificant cost to the State, a skilled proof-reader for two months—during the last month of the session, and one month thereafter—the proofs could be read by the Secretary of State and his proof-reader in connection with the originals. This would, at least, render inexcusable the more serious of the errors which now occur. It would not be practicable or safe to permit the Public Printer to take the original enrolled acts to his office, as all would be more or less damaged, and some might be lost.

LANDS SOLD FOR TAXES.

One of the most important matters connected with this office, and which requires the attention of the General Assembly, is the large number of tracts of land and town lots purchased by the State for the non payment of taxes. It will be seen by the annexed table "A" that 1,973 pieces of property, upon which taxes to the amount of $17,404.98 are unpaid, have been bid in by the State, and the time for their redemption has expired. These deeds are on file in this office, and I have been compelled to refuse quite a number of applications for cancellation.

INDEXING GRANTS.

By an act of the General Assembly, ratified December 20th, 1873, the Secretary of State was directed to have mutilated records copied and indexed, and afterwards to have all books in his office indexed, the appropriation extending for one year. This was subsequently extended for two years, or until the work was completed, by an act ratified December 14th, 1874. Upon my taking charge of this office in January, 1877, I found the records in good order and as well arranged as the room allowed to the Secretary of State would permit. All the mutilated Records had been copied and indexed, except the volumes of original acts for the two last sessions of the General Assembly. But I found very little progress had been made in the indexing of the Grants, which are recorded in one hundred and sixty-nine large volumes, extending from 1693 to the present year, and which are continually increasing. The Attorney General being of the opinion that the act of December 14th, 1874, expired by limitation at the end of two years from its ratification, the Governor and Council regarding this work of indexing the Grants of such vast importance, it was resumed after a short interruption, and has continued since. I trust that

this matter may claim the attention of the General Assembly, and if in their judgment its importance demands, this appropriation shall be continued. Indeed the necessity for this index is so great and the work so vast, I believe it would be better to increase the appropriation as more economical in the end.

INSURANCE COMPANIES AND BANKS.

It has been my endeavor, by rigid examinations and by frequent correspondence with officials in other States, to inform myself of the condition of the several Insurance Companies doing business in this State. The license of several companies has been revoked and agents directed not to issue further policies therefor. A few weeks after entering upon my official duties, I was compelled to disapprove of the Annual Statement submitted by the Southern Underwriters' Association of this City, and upon the refusal of the Company to permit me to examine its books and securities, I revoked its license and directed its officers to cease doing business. This was all I could do under the law.

Upon taking charge of this office I so altered the blanks upon which Insurance Companies file their Annual Statements as to show every year the business done by each Company in North Carolina,—the amount of risks taken, the money received for premiums and paid for losses, the losses unpaid, and other items of interest, showing the true condition of the insurance business in this State. The statements for 1877 are on file, but at the date of this report it is impossible to submit the details of the business for 1878. I have arranged to get them at an early date, and will then prepare a tabulated statement of the insurance business for the two years, and ask that it be transmitted to the General Assembly.

It had been the custom of my predecessor to require statements of such of the banks as had been incorporated by

State authority, and I was urged in certain quarters to make these examinations. Being of the opinion that under the "Act Concerning Insurance," ratified March 12th, 1877, such power had been taken from me, I submitted the question to the consideration of the Attorney General, who endorsed my non action in the premises. I refer to this here in order to bring the matter to the attention of the General Assembly, should any legislation be deemed necessary in regard to the proper examination of Banks.

SUPREME COURT REPORTS.

By an Act of the General Assembly, ratified March 3rd, 1877, the Attorney General and Secretary of State were directed to have published not less than six hundred volumes of the Supreme Court Reports, and the sale thereof was placed in my charge. We published of the 76th and 77th volumes eight hundred copies each, thinking that the greatly reduced price at which they were to be sold would increase the demand. Being disappointed in this expectation, but seven hundred of the 78th volume, and six hundred of the 79th volume were printed. There were sold and distributed as follows: 76th volume 440 copies; 77th volume 388 copies; 78th volume 347 copies; 79th volume 319 copies, showing a gradual decrease in the circulation of each succeeding publication. There are, however, a few additional sales even of the older volumes, and I suppose there will be yet quite an increase in the sale of the 79th volume. Up to this date I have paid into the Treasury $2,017.15 on this account, and will owe $222.30 in the settlement to be made in January, 1879, to cover sales to the close of the year, making a total of $2,244.45 for the two years. The sales, thus far, have averaged just one hundred and ninety-six of each volume, a number that hardly amounts to one-half of the practicing lawyers of the State, while quite a number have been sent to other States. In

view of the small number sold it is worthy of consideration whether the State ought to continue to sell the Supreme Court Reports at $3 per volume. Under existing laws the State is compelled to provide nearly two hundred copies for distribution. The cost of each additional copy to the State, at the present prices paid for printing and binding, is about $1.50, which, of course, varies somewhat according to the number of copies published. In this estimate the cost of type setting is omitted, as that expense must be incurred necessarily in publishing the copies for the use of the State. I have been enabled to lessen the entire cost of the work by the greatly reduced price paid for the very superior paper upon which the Reports have been printed.

STATIONERY AND BLANK BOOKS.

In this connection I desire to call attention to the Stationery and Blank Books purchased for the State and the several counties. I have filled all requisitions with goods of a superior quality and at prices very much less than have heretofore been paid, while the total amount of purchases is many thousand dollars less than for any similar period since the war. This expense was very considerably increased during the year just past, by the requirements of the election law, under the operations of which I prepared and published two hundred

ELECTION BOOKS,

being two for each county in the State, and a few to provide for new counties, and the destruction or loss in counties already supplied. While the immediate expense has been considerable, the books will last for fifty years, and will furnish a valuable record, which too frequently, under the old system, has not been preserved.

REPORTS OF COUNTY OFFICERS.

The Clerks of the Superior Court are required to furnish this office, every two years, with a list of the Justices of the Peace of their several counties, to be recorded in a book kept for that purpose. This has fallen into disuse, if the statute has ever been complied with. I find that it is very important that an official record should be kept in this office, not only of the Justices of the Peace, but of all county officials. I am called upon, not unfrequently, to certify officially to the fact that certain persons are the officers they claim to be, which I am not able at all times to do. It would be desirable to have such legislation as will provide for this want.

COPIES OF JOURNALS.

The Secretary of the Senate and Clerk of the House, who are required to file in this office a copy of their respective Journals, have long been accustomed to paste printed and written slips therein. Feeling certain that this is not a compliance with the statute, and knowing that in a few years, from the ravages of mice and insects, and from the rough handling incident to their usage, the value of these Journals, as records, must be greatly impaired, I shall, unless otherwise instructed, refuse to receive such copies.

GRANTS.

The annexed Table "B" will show the number of grants issued from this office, as well as the number of acres taken up, arranged by counties, for the years 1877 and 1878.

ELECTION RETURNS.

I append also tabular statements, "C" and "D," of the elec-

tion held on the first day of August, 1878, for Chief Justice, two Associate Justices of the Supreme Court, three Superior Court Judges, and nine Solicitors. Also a tabular statement, " E, " of an election held on the fifth day of November, 1878, for eight members of Congress. These tables are taken from the records of the Board of State Cavassers, filed in this office. I have prepared, as required by statute, an "Election Book," in which is to be recorded the result, by counties, of all general elections held in the State, giving in a compact form a concise history of these important events.

I prepared blanks for the two elections held in 1878, not only for returns to be made to this office, but also suitable blanks for the poll-holders in each township to make their report to the Board of County Canvassers. In this way, at a trifling cost to each county, there was great uniformity and accuracy in the township as well as the county returns. The returns sent to this office will be bound in volumes, preserving the election returns from every township in the State, properly arranged so that reference can be made to them at any moment.

Asking your indulgence not only for the imperfect manner in which this report has been prepared, but for any shortcomings which may have intervened in an honest endeavor to discharge faithfully the official duties and responsibilities which the people have confided to me,

I have the honor to be,

Very respectfully,

JOSEPH A. ENGELHARD,

Secretary of State.

A.

List of Property Purchased by the State for the Non-payment of Taxes from 1867 *to* 1878.

Date.	COUNTIES.	No. of pieces each year.	Total No. in each County.	Amount each Year. Dols	Cts	T'l Am't each County. Dols	Cts
8 77.	Anson,.....	8		$ 57	30		
			8			$ 57	30
1878,	Brunswick,.....	17		120	95		
			17			120	95
1875,	Caldwell,.....	2		11	62		
			2			11	62
1870,	Carteret,....	3		37	18		
1871,	Carteret,.....	4		38	69		
1872,	Carteret,.....	43		452	45		
1873,	Carteret,.....	17		64	93		
1874,	Carteret,...	33		144	03		
1875,	Carteret,.....	38		257	66		
1876,	Carteret,.....	12		40	06		
1877,	Carteret,.....	16		52	85		
			166			1,087	85
1871,	Craven,.....	31		174	96		
1872,	Craven,.....	29		165	69		
1873,	Craven,.....	43		222	84		
1874,	Craven,.....	20		109	14		
1875,	Craven,.....	64		297	44		
1876,	Craven,.....	66		145	01		
1877,	Craven,.....	98		631	33		
1878,	Craven,.....	228		1,224	14		
			579			2,970	55
1870,	Cumberland,..	6		48	38		
			6			48	38
1867,	Duplin,.....	3		11	99		
			3			11	99
1877,	Jackson,.....	4		22	57		
			4			22	57

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Date.	COUNTIES.	No. of pieces each year.	Total No. in each County.	Amount each Year. Dols	Cts	T'l Am't each County. Dols	Cts
1877,	Jones,.....	2		$ 24	06		
		—	2	—	—	$ 24	06
1877,	Montgomery,.	1		4	09		
		—	1	—	—	4	09
1870,	New Hanover,.....	90		1,780	15		
1871,	New Hanover,.....	97		2,342	88		
1872,	New Hanover,.....	79		2,031	75		
1873,	New Hanover,.. ...	24		213	69		
1874,	New Hanover, ...	67		958	07		
1875,	New Hanover,.....	237		1,759	53		
1876,	New Hanover,.....	202		1,287	89		
1877,	New Hanover,.....	211		1,730	49		
		—	1,007	—	—	12,104	45
1877,	Pamlico,.....	15		66	91		
		—	15	—	—	66	91
1867,	Pasquotank,...	3		31	30		
		—	3	—	—	31	30
1876,	Pender,.....	8		40	82		
		—	8	—	—	40	82
1871,	Transylvania,.....	10		53	90		
1872,	Transylvania,.....	5		28	49		
1873,	Transylvania,.....	11		56	21		
1874,	Transylvania,.....	7		34	61		
1875,	Transylvania,.....	5		20	32		
1877,	Transylvania,.....	8		18	27		
		—	46	—	—	211	80
1876,	Wake,.....	75		421	04		
1877,	Wake,.....	31		169	30		
		—	106	—	—	590	34
	Aggregate.....		1,973			17,404	98

B.

Land Grants Issued from the 1*st day of January*, 1877, *to* 31*st day of December*, 1878.

COUNTIES.	No. of Grants.	No. of Acres.
Alamance,	1	3⅜
Alexander,	13	1,790
Alleghany,	13	366½
Ashe,	18	801¼
Beaufort,	1	222
Bladen,	8	421¼
Brunswick,	19	1,509
Buncombe,	4	574
Burke,	13	467¼
Cabarrus,	3	55½
Caldwell,	19	1,231½
Camden,	2	561
Carteret,	11	935¼
Catawba,	4	163
Chatham,	1	10½
Cherokee,	27	7,000
Clay,	6	2,012
Cleaveland,	2	15
Columbus,	6	264
Craven,	5	180
Cumberland,	15	605½
Currituck,	9	257
Dare,	2	16¾
Davidson,	3	359
Davie,	3	15½
Duplin,	2	204
Gaston,	1	3⅜
Graham,	4	386
Harnett,	11	708
Haywood,	9	1,075
Henderson,	16	795½
Hyde,	1	91
Iredell,	2	11
Jackson,	23	2,278¼

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COUNTIES.	No. of Grants.	No. of Acres.
Johnston,	5	161¾
Lincoln,	5	238¼
Macon,	26	2,840¾
Madison,	16	520
McDowell,	105	34,466¾
Mecklenburg,	2	9
Montgomery,	15	964
Mitchell	10	338
Moore,	22	1,523
Onslow,	9	556½
Pamlico,	2	180
Pitt,	2	34¾
Polk,	6	224
Randolph,	9	308
Richmond,	1	55
Robeson,	3	55½
Rockingham,	10	53
Rutherford,	19	541½
Sampson,	8	160½
Stanley,	3	65½
Stokes,	5	181½
Surry,	33	1,462¾
Swain,	20	1,589
Transylvania,	25	1,984
Union,	14	157¾
Wake,	1	24
Washington,	1	275
Wautauga,	37	2,391
Wilkes,	77	3,941¼
Yancey,	5	331
	773	81,021¼

STATEMENT C.

Abstract of Votes Cast at an Election Held for Chief Justice, Associate Justices of the Supreme Court, and Judges of the Superior Courts, on Thursday, the 1st day of August, 1878, in the State of North Carolina.

COUNTIES.	Chief Justice.	Associate Justices.		Judges of the Superior Court.			
				7th District.	8th District.	9th District.	
	William N. H. Smith.	Thomas S. Ashe.	John H. Dillard.	Jesse F. Graves.	Alphonso C. Avery.	James C. L. Gudger.	William M. Cocke.
Alamance,	2,156	2,156	2,156	2,153	2,153	1,655	499
Alexander,	662	662	662	662	661	660	3
Alleghany,	360	360	360	390	353	355	9
Anson,	1,371	1,371	1,373	1,364	1,364	1,364	.....
Ashe,	822	815	818	820	817	813	127
Beaufort,	2,729	2,729	2,729	1,365	1,366	1,364	.....
Bertie,	204	197	197	197	197	197	.....
Bladen,	1,191	1,190	1,188	1,189	1,189	1,189	1
Brunswick,	564	564	365	564	564	564	.....
Buncombe,	1,854	1,847	1,827	1,835	1,827	1,229	655

STATEMENT C.—(*Continued.*)

COUNTIES.	Chief Justice.	Associate Justices.		Judges of the Superior Court.			
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	William N. H. Smith.	Thomas S. Ashe.	John H. Dillard.	Jesse F. Graves.	Alphonso C. Avery.	James C. L. Gudger.	William M. Cocke.
Burke,	1,363	1,378	1,378	1,362	1,528	1,333	53
Cabarrus,	1,177	1,179	1,180	1,166	1,165	1,164	.....
Caldwell,	769	768	769	769	768	734	34
Camden,	759	759	758	758	758	624	142
Carteret,	1,093	1,077	1,080	1,079	1,075	854	241
Caswell,	2,461	2,465	2,463	2,464	2,463	1,640	818
Catawba,	1,332	1,334	1,333	1,328	1,267	1,324	5
Chatham,	3,011	3,011	3,013	2,980	3,006	2,287	720
Cherokee and Graham	683	682	682	681	683	718	75
Chowan,	1,245	1,242	1,239	587	586	521	66
Clay,	361	361	361	362	356	366	15
Cleaveland,	1,659	1,677	1,678	1,677	1,678	1,577	150
Columbus,	1,159	1,157	1,159	1,159	1,159	1,159	.....
Craven,	995	993	998	985	985	991	2,266

Cumberland,	2,190	2,190	2,189	2,187	2,187	2,187	.....
Currituck,	953	952	952	849	849	730	114
Dare,	330	304	304	212	212	212	.....
Davidson,	1,453	1,451	1,452	1,444	1,444	1,440	4
Davie,	687	687	687	679	687	680	5
Duplin,	1,916	1,916	1,916	1,916	1,916	1,916	.....
Edgecombe,	1,380	1,379	1,379	1,377	1,377	1,376	2,231
Forsythe,	1,199	1,198	1,199	1,159	1,183	1,126	118
Franklin,	3,587	3,609	3,583	3,588	3,586	2,221	1,399
Gaston,	979	979	980	942	934	927	11
Gates,	1,330	1,334	1,334	933	933	827	107
Granville,	2,752	2,757	2,757	2 755	2,755	2,756	1
Greene,	910	909	910	905	905	905	1
Guilford,	2,947	2,943	2,938	2,934	2,925	1,709	1,221
Halifax,	1,900	1,888	1,891	1,705	1,730	1,664	3,508
Harnett,	1,012	1,011	1,011	1,006	1,006	888	135
Haywood,	1,305	1,301	1,300	1,303	1,303	1,195	154
Henderson,	805	807	807	805	805	630	202
Hertford,	1,904	1,760	1,760	875	880	880	.....
Hyde,	1,287	1,287	1,287	787	787	758	130
Iredell,	1,362	1,385	1,359	1,355	1,350	1,357	.....
Jackson,	769	777	666	764	765	774	82
Johnston,	1,717	1,712	1,709	1,700	1,702	1,696	38
Jones,	534	533	535	533	533	533	.....
Lenoir,	1,231	1,208	1,229	1,204	1,204	1,204	.....
Lincoln,	703	702	704	705	706	703	7
Macon,	908	908	908	907	908	931	40
Madison,	1,103	1,098	1,096	1,104	1,107	759	564
Martin,	1,301	1,300	1,300	1,301	1,301	1,301	871
McDowell,	1,048	1,044	1,045	1,044	1,141	874	161
Mecklenburg,	2,785	2,779	2,983	2,784	2,782	2,725	65
Mitchell,	718	710	720	706	818	450	295
Montgomery,	595	583	591	541	540	529	39
Moore,	1,463	1,463	1,463	1,457	1,457	1,442	15
Nash,	1,379	1,381	1,380	1,379	1,379	1,376	5

STATEMENT C.—(*Continued.*)

COUNTIES.	Chief Justice.	Associate Justices.		Judges of the Superior Court.			
				7th District.	8th District.	9th District.	
	William N. H. Smith.	Thomas S. Ashe.	John H. Dillard.	Jesse F. Graves.	Alphonso C. Avery.	James C. L. Gudger.	William M. Cocke.
New Hanover,	1,234	1,231	1,223	1,228	1,228	1,226	3
Northampton,	1,560	1,532	1,531	1,532	1 532	1,530	1,122
Onslow,	794	793	793	793	793	787	.....
Orange,	1,858	1,858	1,857	1,854	1,853	1,763	.....
Pamlico,	779	778	775	674	674	588	89
Pasquotank,	442	410	410	392	393	377	19
Pender,	892	891	891	892	892	892	.....
Perquimans,	1,504	1,498	1,498	1,218	1,217	606	609
Person,	1,592	1,592	1,592	1,518	1.518	1,237	282
Pitt,	3,958	3,958	3,958	3,958	3,958	2,117	1,901
Polk,	336	336	336	338	344	216	.....
Randolph,	2,428	2,395	2,429	2,414	2,419	1,594	1,377
Richmond,	1,331	1,331	1,330	1,328	1,326	1,326	.....
Robeson,	2,543	2,539	2,542	2,547	2,548	2,077	512

Rockingham,	1,084	1,084	1,106	1,077	1,075	1,037	54
Rowan,	1,407	1,406	1,406	1,390	1,389	1,379	.....
Rutherford,	1,245	1,235	1,235	1,231	1,230	1,147	86
Sampson,	1,837	1,835	1,838	1,835	1,835	1,834	.....
Stanley,	948	945	956	944	945	941	7
Stokes,	742	742	746	739	735	709	76
Surry,	809	810	808	779	772	760	.....
Swain,	434	430	425	431	430	437	5
Transylvania,	490	486	487	444	446	538	27
Tyrrell	633	622	621	385	382	365	17
Union,	1,391	1,407	1,400	1,382	1,382	1,381	.....
Wake,	5,966	5,976	5,968	5,950	5,951	4,208	2,479
Warren,	1,013	1,014	1,014	1,010	1,011	1,010	2,435
Washington,	990	986	985	953	940	535	418
Watauga,	660	660	660	660	656	642	71
Wayne,	3,846	3,842	3,841	3,841	3,841	2,232	1,606
Wilkes,	1,222	1,221	1,221	1,227	1,221	1,222	.....
Wilson,	2,293	2 293	2,293	2,293	2,293	1,595	818
Yadkin,	910	917	912	912	901	896	5
Yancey,	767	768	768	764	757	686	82
Total,	128,360	128,040	127,745	122,674	122,952	106,253	31,502

SCATTERING VOTES.

FOR CHIEF JUSTICE.—George Davis, 1 vote; Thomas Ruffin, 1 ; David Schenck, 16; W. P. Bynum, 12; M. E. Manly, 2; George Green, 1; George E. Claypole, 1; Thomas A. Little, 8; W. F. Green, 1; Samuel H. Webb, 2.

FOR ASSOCIATE JUSTICES.—Thomas Ruffin, 2 votes; George V. Strong, 1; E. G. Reade, 8; W. P. Bynum, 2; B Moore, 1; A. S. Seymour, 6; Samuel C. Wimbley, 1; S. W. Jones, 1; W. T. Faircloth, 1; R. P. Buxton, 2; W. A. Moore, 1; Cicero Berry, 2; M. E. Manly, 1; S. F. Nash, 1.

FOR SUPERIOR COURT JUDGES.—*Seventh District*—Thomas F. Wilson, 1 vote; Thomas I. Wilson, 26; John M. Clements, 1; Jack Shore, 1.

Eighth District—G. N. Folk, 1 vote; M. L. McCorkle, 4; D. M. Furches, 1; P. H. Winston, 1.

Ninth District—R. M. Henry, 114 votes; R. K. Cannon, 40; A. T. Davidson, 5.

STATEMENT D.

Abstract of Votes Cast at an Election held for Solicitors, on Thursday, the 1*st day of August,* 1878, *in the State of North Carolina.*

FIRST DISTRICT.			SECOND DISTRICT.			THIRD DISTRICT.		
COUNTIES.	James P. Whedbee.	Cyrus W. Grandy.	COUNTIES.	Fabius H. Busbee.	John H. Collins.	COUNTIES.	Swift Galloway.	
Beaufort,	1,339	1,549	Bertie,	203	.....	Carteret,	855	
Camden,	654	596	Craven,	986	2,597	Duplin,	1,902	
Chowan,	543	782	Edgecombe,	1,229	2,888	Green,	912	
Currituck,	652	273	Halifax,	1,433	3,684	Jones,	539	
Dare,	225	175	Martin,	1,306	1,020	Lenoir,	1,193	
Gates,	832	506	Northampton,	1,378	1,356	Nash,	1,374	
Hertford,	880	1,130	Wake,	4,176	3,571	New Hanover,	1,226	
Hyde,	654	657	Warren,	1,011	2,429	Onslow,	786	
Pamlico,	581	491				Pender,	897	
Pasquotank,	374	1,218	Total,	11,722	17,545	Pitt,	2,189	
Perquimans,	607	982				Sampson,	1,839	
Tyrrell,	338	311				Wayne,	2,149	
Washington,	518	818				Wilson,	1,688	
Total,	8,197	9,488				Total,	17,549	

STATEMENT D.—(*Continued.*)

FOURTH DISTRICT.			FIFTH DISTRICT.			SIXTH DISTRICT.		
COUNTIES.	JAMES D. MCIVER.		COUNTIES.	FRED. N. STRUDWICK.	B. I. HOWZE.	COUNTIES.	WM. J. MONTGOMERY.	
Anson,	1,365		Alamance,	1,316	919	Cabarrus,	944	
Bladen,	1,185		Caswell,	1,235	1,213	Cleaveland,	1,708	
Brunswick,	564		Chatham,	1,692	1,559	Gaston,	986	
Columbus,	1,160		Franklin,	2,099	1,512	Lincoln,	724	
Cumberland,	2,191		Granville,	2,754	84	Mecklenburg,	2,715	
Harnett,	919		Guilford,	1,483	1,380	Montgomery,	595	
Johnston,	1,697		Orange,	1,934	34	Polk,	324	
Moore,	1,498		Person,	1,088	531	Rutherford,	1,228	
Richmond,	1,326		Randolph,	1,492	1,597	Stanley,	1,035	
Robeson,	2,069		Rockingham,	1,037	76	Union,	1,437	
Total,	13,974		Total,	16,130	8,905	Total,	11,696	

STATEMENT D.—(*Continued.*)

SEVENTH DISTRICT.			EIGHTH DISTRICT.			NINTH DISTRICT.		
COUNTIES.	JOSEPH DOBSON.		COUNTIES.	JOSEPH S. ADAMS.		COUNTIES.	GAR'D S. FERGUSON.	MARCUS ERWIN.
Alleghany,.....	393		Alexander,.....	656		Buncombe,.....	1,149	1,270
Davidson,.....	1,442		Ashe,.....	802		Cherokee and Graham..	649	381
Davie,.....	645		Burke,.....	1,475		Clay,.....	313	93
Forsythe,.....	1,102		Caldwell,.....	755		Haywood,.....	961	393
Rowan,.....	1,369		Catawba,.....	1,328		Henderson,.....	610	365
Stokes,.....	661		Iredell,.....	1,337		Jackson,.....	785	83
Surry,.....	836		McDowell,.....	1,105		Macon,.....	909	94
Wilkes,.....	1,231		Mitchell,.....	840		Madison,.....	779	701
Yadkin,.....	898		Watauga,.....	856		Swain,.....	430	9
			Yancey,.....	767		Transylvania,.....	505	75
Total,.....	8,577		Total,.....	9,921		Total,.....	7,090	3,464

SCATTERING VOTES.—FIRST DISTRICT.—George A. Sparrow, 2 votes; F. Vaughn, 3; W. B. Shaw, 1. SECOND DISTRICT.—Wm. H. Johnson, 1; Dorsey Battle, 1; W. H. Day, 88; Willis Bagley, 1; J. J. Martin, 1. THIRD DISTRICT.—J. D. Stanford, 4. FOURTH DISTRICT.—W. S. Norment, 3; Alias Gilbert, 1; Jas. E. Shepherd, 1; Wm. M. Cocke, 131. FIFTH DISTRICT.—W. S. Roulhac, 2; A. J. Boyd, 1. SIXTH DISTRICT.—Frank Ford, 35; P. B. Means. 26; Col. Grier, 14; R. Starnes, 18. SEVENTH DISTRICT.—A. H. Joyce, 81; T. J. Dula, 2; R. H. Glenn, 14; T. J. Wilson, 1; J. M. Cloud, 1; Jno. Shore, 21; M. L. Massey, 5; P. G. Williams, 2. EIGHTH DISTRICT.—R. Z Linsey, 51. NINTH DISTRICT.—C. L. McLeod, 1; W. G. Candler, 3.

STATEMENT E.

Abstract of Votes Cast at an Election held for Members of the Forty-sixth Congress of the United States, on Tuesday, November 5th, 1878, *in the State of North Carolina.*

FOR CONGRESS—FIRST DISTRICT.

COUNTIES.	JESSE J. YEATES.	JOSEPH J. MARTIN.	J. B. RESPASS.	Scattering.
Beaufort,	1,397	1,129	178	1
Bertie,	988	1,499	1	.....
Camden,	567	417	8	.....
Chowan,	601	797	1	5
Currituck,	635	289	1	.....
Dare,	112	131	10	.....
Gates,	751	449	2	.....
Hertford,	905	1,029	.....	.....
Hyde,	554	406	104	.....
Martin,	1,275	1,166	1	.....
Pamlico,	423	332	51	10
Pasquotank,	423	749	2	.....
Perquimans,	706	864	.....	2
Pitt,	1,935	1,806	8	4
Tyrrell,	332	240	2	.....
Washington,	480	832	61	.....
Total,	12,084	12,135	430	22

STATEMENT E.—(*Continued.*)

FOR CONGRESS—SECOND DISTRICT.

COUNTIES.	W. H. KITCHEN.	J. E. O'HARA.	JAMES H. HARRIS.	J. W. THORNE.	Scattering.
Craven,	765	1,383	284	....	13
Edgecombe,	805	1,802	26	.....	1
Greene,	842	930	16	.....	2
Halifax,	1,119	1,348	709	.....	.....
Jones,	584	548	114	.....	.....
Lenoir,	1,164	702	70	.....	9
Northampton,	831	1,333	227	.....	1
Warren,	926	757	837	584	1
Wayne,	2,244	242	1,353	.....	1
Wilson,	1,424	637	312	.....	.....
Total,	10,704	9,682	3,948	584	28

FOR CONGRESS—THIRD DISTRICT.

COUNTIES.	ALF. M. WADDELL.	DAN'L L. RUSSELL.	Scattering.
Bladen,	795	1,295	.....
Brunswick,	433	697	.....
Carteret,	707	476	.....
Columbus,	1,052	765	1
Cumberland,	1,325	1,538	.....
Duplin,	1,494	858	1
Harnett,	587	438	.....
Moore,	692	397	5
New Hanover,	1,078	2,411	5
Onslow,	451	408	.....
Pender,	716	1,160	4
Sampson,	1,400	1,168	.....
Total,	10,730	11,611	16

STATEMENT E.—(*Continued.*)

FOR CONGRESS—FOURTH DISTRICT.

COUNTIES.	JOSEPH J. DAVIS.	JOSIAH TURNER.	WILEY D. JONES.	Scattering.
Chatham,	1,348	190	458	.....
Franklin,	1,981	576	718	97
Granville,	1,911	2,591	39	.....
Johnston,	1,397	564	359	.....
Nash,	1,123	627	414	1
Orange,	1,528	1,378	51	.....
Wake,	2,576	2,427	872	3
Total	11,864	8,353	2,911	101

FOR CONGRESS—FIFTH DISTRICT.

COUNTIES.	ALFRED M. SCALES.	ALE'N W. TOURGEE.	Scattering.
Alamance,	1,164	785	2
Caswell,	1,228	1,413	.....
Davidson,	1,003	731	.....
Guilford,	1,807	1,226	1
Person,	974	847	.....
Randolph,	1,485	1,050	1
Rockingham,	1,659	1,200	.....
Stokes,	1,006	428	.....
Total	10,326	7,680	4

STATEMENT E.—(*Continued.*)

FOR CONGRESS—SIXTH DISTRICT.

COUNTIES.	WALTER L. STEELE.	H. H. COVINGTON.	Scattering.
Anson,	528	.....	2
Cabarrus,	286	1	6
Catawba,	434	.....	2
Gaston,	263	.....	2
Lincoln,	261	.....	1
Mecklenburg,	913	1	13
Montgomery,	181	19	3
Richmond,	639	237	103
Robeson,	888	.....	20
Stanley,	235	.....	10
Union,	280	.....	.....
Total,	4,908	258	162

FOR CONGRESS—SEVENTH DISTRICT.

COUNTIES.	ROBT. F. ARMFIELD.	JOHN M. BROWER.	Scattering.
Alexander,	209	58	8
Alleghany,	203	122	1
Ashe, (No official returns.)	.....	.....	.....
Davie,	257	187	23
Forsythe,	806	629	6
Iredell,	873	271	4
Rowan,	573	386	2
Surry,	542	779	5
Watauga,	166	45	53
Wilkes,	648	666	25
Yadkin,	475	507	5
Total,	4,753	3,650	132

STATEMENT E.—(*Continued.*)

FOR CONGRESS—EIGHTH DISTRICT.

COUNTIES.	ROBERT B. VANCE.	Scattering.
Buncombe,	388	1
Burke, (No returns.)	.....	.....
Caldwell,	206	.....
Cherokee and Graham,	165	.....
Clay,	89	.....
Cleaveland,	451	2
Haywood,	155	1
Henderson,	148	3
Jackson,	116	8
Macon,	173	.....
Madison, (No official returns.)	.....	.....
McDowell,	146	7
Mitchell,	145	.....
Polk,	83	7
Rutherford,	338	47
Swain,	61	6
Transylvania,	97	.....
Yancey,	133	.....
Total,	2,894	96

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